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# A SIMPLE AND EFFICIENT DEPOSIT-GLASS.

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In the laboratory one of the essentials is a deposit-glass for obtaining sediment from liquids. We find them prepared by the glass manufacturers usually of conical or wine-glass shape. In this form of glass, a portion of the sediment is deposited upon the sides of the glass, frequently preventing much that might prove valuable from being examined. A glass with nearly parallel sides will reduce this waste deposit materially; and from test-tubes which have the bottoms broken out, and are to be found in every laboratory, such deposit-glasses may be readily prepared.

A test-tube fifteen to seventeen centimeters in length and some two and one-half centimeters in diameter will give us a convenient size. If it is of greater diameter it will be difficult to draw it out to a point. If you do not find a tube with a broken bottom, with a wire punch a hole through the bottoms of, say, two tubes. Over the gas or spirit-lamp flame, melt the bottoms of the two tubes together, cool, and again heat the tube from which you intend to prepare your deposit-glass, an inch or so from the junction with the other tube. Carefully draw it out to a point, as you would in the preparation of a pipette, elongating the point as much as may be desired; then seal and separate from the other test-tube; or, if desired, you may prepare the second deposit-glass from the other tube before separating the tubes. By placing these tubes in your test-tube rack you will have two very good deposit-glasses—as good as can be procured of the manufacturer. I am never at a loss now, when frequently I used to be, for a good deposit glass.